

Carol L. Merrell,

Plaintiff,

v.

Carolyn W. Colvin,

Defendant.

On October 1, 2014 , the Court heard oral argument on the *Merrell Initial Brief*, filed January 22, 2014, [Doc. 9] and the *Brief For Defendant*, filed April 3, 2014, [Doc. 12]. After due consideration of the issues presented, and for the reasons set forth by the Court at the conclusion of the oral argument, it is

/s/ John T. Maughmer
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U. S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE